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C O N F I D E N T I A L USUN 5097

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SUBJ: 30TH UNGA SOUTH PACIFIC NUCLEAR FREE ZONE: NEW ZEALAND

RE: A. USUN 4946

B. WELLINGTON 3042

C. USUN 5003

1. NEW ZEALAND MISSION OFFICER WILLIAMS DISCUSSED THE
SOUTH PACIFIC NUCLEAR FREE ZONE (SPNFZ) INITIATIVE WITH
US MISSION OFFICER ON OCTOBER 16. SHE SAID THAT THE NEW
ZEALAND MISSION IS RECOMMENDING TO THE MFA THAT NZ MADE A
PUBLIC STATEMENT, PROBABLY AS PART OF
THE GENERAL DEBATE STATEMENT IN THE FIRST
COMMITTEE, EITHER ENDORSING THE FIJI GENERAL DEBATE
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STATEMENT ON THE SPNFZ (REF A) OR ALONG THE SAME LINES.

SHE IS OPTIMISTIC THAT THE MFA WILL APPROVE THE SUGGESTION.
US MISSION OFFICER REPLIED THAT SUCH A STATEMENT WOULD BE
VERY HELPFUL.

2. ON POSSIBLE AMENDMENTS TO THE SPNFZ RESOLUTION,
WILLIAMS SAID THAT THE US SUGGESTION THAT A STUDY OF THE
SPNFZ PROPOSAL BE ENDORSED RATHER THAN THE IDEA ITSELF
IS UNACCEPTABLE TO THE GONZ BECAUSE IT WATERS DOWN THE
PROPOSAL TOO MUCH. OTHERS, INCLUDING THE UK, HAVE MADE
SIMILAR SUGGESTIONS, SHE ADDED. SHE ADDED THAT THE GONZ
BELIEVES THE RESOLUTION IS GOOD AS IT STANDS AND THAT
TO PROPOSE AMENDMENTS MIGHT INVITE RADICAL CHANGES IN
THE INITIATIVE BY COUNTRIES SUCH AS PERU WHICH THINK
THE PROPOSAL DOES NOT GO FAR ENOUGH IN ITS PRESENT
FORM.

3. WILLIAMS MENTIONED AGAIN NEW ZEALAND'S SUPPORT FOR
THE US ON THE KOREAN ITEM. SHE SAID THAT IF THE US
OPPOSED THE SPNFZ RESOLUTION, THE GONZ WOULD FEEL THAT IT
HAD BEEN "TAKEN IN ON KOREA. SHE SAID SHE REALIZED THAT ANY US
DECISION ON THE SPNFZ WOULD PROBABLY NOT BE MADE UNTIL
MUCH LATER. US MISSION OFFICER EMPHASIZED OUR
APPRECIATION OF THE CORDIAL AND CLOSE WORKING RELATION-
SHIP BETWEEN OUR UN MISSIONS AND REITERATED THE
STATEMENT MADE IN AMBASSADOR BENNETT'S CONVERSATION
ON OCTOBER 13 (REF C) THAT TO HIS KNOWLEDGE NO FINAL
DECISION HAD AS YET BEEN MADE ON THE SPNFZ.

4. WILLIAMS SAID THAT REACTIONS FROM OTHER DELEGATIONS
TO THE SPNFZ PROPOSAL HAVE BEEN GENERALLY FAVORABLE BUT
THAT FRIENDS AND ALLIES OF THE US AND FRANCE HAD
EXPRESSED RESERVATIONS.

5. WILLIAMS GAVE US A COPY OF THE BACKGROUNDER ON THE
SPNFZ (REF B) WHICH WE HAVE POUCED TO THE DEPARTMENT
(LONG, IO/UNP AND BLACK, ACDA/IR.)
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